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SUBJECT: CURRENT REACTION: ASST SECRETARY HARTMAN VISIT

1. THE MAJOR TURKISH PAPERS AUGUST 5 REPORTED MR. HARTMAN'S ARRIVAL IN TURKEY AND HIS BRINGING A MESSAGE FROM SECSTATE KISSINGER. THEY REPORTED THE THREE-HOUR MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER, WITH THE FOREIGN, DEFENSE, AND INTERIOR MINISTERS AND SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ALSO ATTENDING. ISTANBUL DAILIES HURRIYET AND MILLIYET (MASS CIRCULATION) GAVE MOST DETAILED ACCOUNT OF HARTMAN'S VISIT, INCLUDING ECEVIT'S AND HARTMAN'S INFORMAL STATEMENTS TO THE PRESS AFTER THEIR THREE-HOUR MEETING SUNDAY AUGUST 4. MR. ECEVIT WAS QUOTED AS SAYING: "MR. HARTMAN BROUGHT A VERY KIND MESSAGE FROM THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER. AS YOU KNOW, THE ESTEEMED MR. KISSINGER IS PAYING DUE IMPORTANCE, IN AN OBJECTIVE WAY, TO THE CYPRUS ISSUE BECAUSE IT GREATLY CONCERNS TWO FRIENDLY AND ALLIED COUNTRIES IN UNCLASSIFIED

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TERMS OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE AREA." MR. HARTMAN WAS

QUOTED AS SAYING "IT WAS A VERY USEFUL MEETING, I AM VERY PLEASED. THE PRIME MINISTER GAVE US THE VIEWS OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT ON CYPRUS."

2. TURKISH RADIO AND TELEVISION REPORTED AUGUST 5 MR. HARTMAN'S MEETINGS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER, AND OTHER HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND WITH DENKTASH. BOTH FOREIGN MINISTER GUNES (FROM HIS PRESS CONFERENCE AUGUST 5) AND DENKTASH WERE QUOTED BY TRT REPORTERS AS SAYING THAT HARTMAN LISTENED TO THE TURKISH POINT OF VIEW AND DID NOT OFFER PROPOSALS.

3. HARTMAN'S VISIT WAS REPORTED BY ALL MAJOR TURKISH DAILIES AUGUST 6 WITHOUT EDITORIAL COMMENT. HOWEVER, MASS CIRCULATION ISTANBUL DAILY GUNAYDIN INTERPRETS MESSAGE BROUGHT BY HARTMAN FROM KISSINGER AS ONE WHICH SEES TURKISH ACTION IN CYPRUS AS JUSTIFIABLE: "THE MESSAGE POINTS OUT THAT AMERICA FINDS TURKEY'S ACTION JUSTIFIED AFTER SHE TRIED ALL PEACEFUL MEANS AS A PEACEFUL GUARANTOR NATION,..." THE REPORT CONTINUES BY STATING "THAT THE RIGHTS OF THE TURKISH COMMUNITY IN CYPRUS MUST BE GUARANTEED, AND THAT TURKEY FOLLOWS HER FOREIGN POLICY IN GOODWILL" AND GUNAYDIN CONCLUDES THE SENTENCE REPORTING THE MESSAGE "STATES HOW MUCH IMPORTANCE AMERICA ATTACHES TO TURKEY'S FRIENDSHIP."

4. ISTANBUL DAILIES CUMHURİYET AND YENİ ORTAM (LEFT-LEANING) AND ANKARA DAILY BARIS (SEMI-OFFICIAL RPP PAPER) SUMMARIZE AUGUST 6 TWO-DAY VISIT OF HARTMAN AND QUOTE ECEVIT'S AND HARTMAN'S INFORMAL STATEMENTS TO PRESS. YENİ ORTAM ALSO REFERS TO MR. HARTMAN AS A NEW EMISSARY, A MEDIATOR "WHO REPLACED SISCO" IN THIS MATTER.

5. ISTANBUL DAILY MILLİYET REPORTS AUGUST 6 THAT IN HIS TALKS WITH OFFICIALS, MR. HARTMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE U.S. DOES NOT WANT TO IMPOSE ANY SOLUTION ON EITHER SIDE BEFORE THE GENEVA PEACE TALKS. MILLİYET ALSO REPORTS THAT "AFTER LEARNING OF SOME OF THE TURKISH DEMANDS, MR. HARTMAN BELIEVES IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO MAKE THE GREEKS ACCEPT THESE." ACCORDING TO MILLİYET, TURKISH OFFICIALS SAY "IT WOULD BE UP TO GREECE TO THINK ABOUT THIS SINCE IT WAS TURKEY WHO HAD WON THE WAR."

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6. ISTANBUL DAILIES TERCUMAN, MILLİYET AND HURRIYET REPORT AUGUST 6 HARTMAN'S MEETING WITH VICE-PRESIDENT DENKTASH OF CYPRUS AND DENKTASH'S STATEMENT TO THE PRESS. DENKTASH WAS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT IN HIS MEETING WITH HARTMAN, HE EXPLAINED THAT "TURKS DO NOT WANT TO CONTINUE LIVING UNDER THE CONDITIONS THEY HAVE HAD TO ENDURE FOR THE PAST 14 YEARS, AND THAT ALL THEY WANT IS TO LIVE IN A HUMAN MANNER, WITHOUT FEAR, IN AN INDEPENDENT CYPRUS."

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